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President's Notes

Welcome All!

It was wonderful to see the larger number of reps and visitors at our meeting. Try to bring a friend from your club to the meetings.

CAOAC Membership and Insurance

Don't forget to bring your cheques for membership fees of \$60 for clubs under 60 members and \$90 for those clubs over 60 members and insurance of \$180. These can be post dated to January of 2006.

CAOAC Auction

We are planning an auction in 2006 on March 26th in Brantford at the Civic Centre next to the Casino. More details will follow.

CAOAC Convention 2006

London is hosting this event on the weekend of May 19th to 22nd. Information is posted on the Web site as well as in the Newsletter. Plans are well underway. Make your plans early so you won't miss out on this 50th year event for London. There are some new and interesting things planned for this Convention. Keep tuned to news from the press and airwaves.

CAOAC Reminders

1. Don't forget to update your binder with new updates that Miecia and Wayne have so diligently prepared.
2. The Christmas meeting on December 11th is 1 week earlier and we will have a potluck lunch.
3. Authors and Advanced Authors nominees are due in December
4. Brampton Aquarium Club Show and Auction on November 19th
5. Canadian Rift Lake Cichlid Association Super Auction & Swap Meet on December 4th

Regards and Good Fishing
Paul "Mac" Mc Intosh

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Minutes of Meetings

October 16th, 2005

EXECUTIVE MEETING

The meeting was called to order by Paul McIntosh (President) on October 16th, 2005 at 1000 hours in Waterdown, ON.

The following executives were in attendance: Paul McIntosh (President), Tony Bernard (1st Vice President), Jennifer Bawden (Treasurer), Sarah Langthorne (Corresponding Sec) and Miecia Burden (Recording Secretary).

Executive absent: Randy Seufert (2nd Vice President) and Dave Boehm (Past President).

Correspondence: Miecia Burden (Recording Secretary) has filled out and returned the forms from the Ministry of Consumer and Business Services that deal with our incorporation status.

Awards: Region 4 & 7 need regional reps. If no one volunteers to represent the clubs in these two regions the awards committee will act on their behalf.

Binder: Release # 49 is ready today and those not distributed at the general meeting to the reps will be mailed ASAP.

Judges: 3 of the 4 apprentice judges who were actively pursuing their judging certificates are now ready for certification.

Newsletter: Miecia was notified by Brampton that the date of their show and auction on the Events Calendar is incorrect. It is on November 19th not on the 13th as listed. Miecia has passed the message onto Dave Boehm who will change it on the web site. Please let Miecia know ASAP when there is a date change so that the changes can be made in plenty of time before the event.

Treasure's report: Clarification to the report as published in the last newsletter on page 4. Closing Balance of \$3255.11 does not include committed funds of \$1375.42 as stated. This was an error in interpretation by the newsletter editor Miecia Burden. Please strike out the word *incl* in the last row, first column. In answer to questions raised last month regarding the room rent, Jennifer stated that the rent for 2004-2005 was paid in March 2005 and rent for 2005-2006 was paid in October 2005. She also mentioned

that she will contact our landlord and request a rebate for the two May meeting month's that we did not use the room because the annual general meeting was held at the Convention site.

Respectfully submitted by
Miecia Burden (Recording Secretary)

GENERAL MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 1130 hours by Paul McIntosh (President) on October 16th, 2005 in Waterdown, ON. Guests Dorothy Reimer (London Aquaria Society) and Kai Hing (Toronto Willowdale) welcomed.

Executive present: see executive minutes.

Roll Call:

Tom Mason (Durham)
Paul McFarlane (Hamilton)
Ron Wentworth (Hamilton)
Ron Bishop (London)
Tom Bridges (St Catharines/Breeders Dir)
Bob Saunders (Toronto Willowdale)

Paul McIntosh (Archivist)
Miecia Burden (Binder/Membership)
Tom & Pat Bridges (Breeders Dir)
Tony Bernard (FRP)
Bill Irwin (Judges)
Terry Little (Open Show)
Sarah Langthorne (Ways & Means)

5 clubs and 14 votes.

Membership: Membership forms were mailed to two contacts in each club. Clubs sending applications and cheques by mail will be notified by email from Miecia when they are received by her.

Membership dues and insurance premiums are due at the November meeting (November 20th, 2005) and a surcharge of \$25.00 will be levied against clubs whose insurance premiums are received after this date.

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Treasurer's report: submitted by Jennifer Bawden (Treasurer)

ITEM	IN	OUT	BALANCE
Opening Balance			3255.11
Newsletter (Rein Breitmaier)		40.48	
Miecia Burden ***		172.80	
Sarnia (re-imbursment of show sanctioning fees)		10.00	
Rent for 2005-06		500.00	
Bank charges		5.00	
Closing Balance			2526.83
Committed Funds			1375.42
Total (CB + CF)			3902.25

September 18th to October 16th 2005

***Printing, postage and Newsletter expenses.

Accepted on a motion by Tom Mason (Durham), seconded by Ron Bishop (London Aq). Voted on and carried.

Secretary's Report:

Minutes from the executive meeting in September: accepted as printed on a motion by Bill Irwin (Judges), seconded by Bob Saunders (Toronto Willowdale). Voted on and carried.

Minutes from the general meeting in September: Clarification to the report as published in the last newsletter on page 4. Closing Balance of \$3255.11 does not include committed funds of \$1375.42 as stated. This was an error in interpretation by the newsletter editor Miecia Burden. Please strike out the word *incl* in the last row, first column. Motion to accept with above clarification made by Tony Bernard (1st Vice President/FishRescueProgram), seconded by Ron Wentworth (Hamilton). Voted on and carried.

Correspondence: as per executive meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Archivist: Nothing to report.

AH Directory: Chair is open. If you have any submissions to the directory send them to Dave Boehm who still has the data on his computer and will continue to update the files.

Awards: Still need regional reps for area 4 & 7. Region 4

includes St. Catharines, Hamilton and Erie County and Region 7 includes Regina, Calgary, Winnipeg and Edmonton. Wayne Rakestrow (Awards) chairperson has received no reply to his letters to Chris Biggs the current regional rep. If any one from the above mentioned clubs is interested in being a regional rep please contact Wayne Rakestrow at rakstrow@idirect.com or 905 725 7911. The duties of a regional rep are outlined on page 8051 of the Binder. Discussion about regional reps and their duties. A few of the reps stated that their club had not been contacted by their regional rep in the past year. Also discussed were the responsibilities of the CAOAC rep from each club in regards to the CAOAC awards. The bottom line is – the information is in the binder and it is up to the regional reps and/or the CAOAC reps to make sure that the information is given to the clubs in some manner.

Binder: Release #49 was released today. Those not distributed at this meeting will be mailed.

Breeders Directory: Update from Hamilton received. Suggestion by Tom Bridges (St Catharines/Breeders Directory) about adding an appendix to the Directory that will list the “First In” breedings was discussed and will be started with the next release of the Directory. (At present the “First Ins” are only published on the web site and in the Newsletter.)

CAOAC/FAAS: Nothing to report.

Convention 2006: 33 of the 56 classes of fish have been sponsored. If you or your club are interested in sponsoring a class please contact Terry Little (LondonAqSoc/Open Show) at tlittle28@rogers.com or 519 752 8642. All fish show class plaques will have the name of the sponsor on the front and the names will also be published on the web site. A booklet and tickets for the convention will be available at the next general meeting of CAOAC – in time for Christmas giving! Check the both the CAOAC and London Aquaria web sites for up-to-date information.

Convention 2007: Bids for this Convention will be entertained at the 2006 Convention. Clubs are urged to start thinking about bidding.

Fish Rescue Program: Contacts have been made in various clubs for re-locating fish.

Judges: Correction to the Judges report on page 5 of the September minutes which stated that letters had been sent over the summer to the current judges requesting input about their current status. That should have read apprentice judges not current judges. 3 apprentice judges are close to certification which will be awarded at the 2006 Convention. They are Bob Wright, Tony Bernard and Ken Ealy.

Newsletter: Please send any changes or additions to the

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Events Calendar to Micia Burden (Membership/Binder/Newsletter) and she will pass them on to Dave Boehm (Webmaster) to be changed on the web site also. Dates held in reserve for the next year are for shows only NOT auctions. Brampton has notified Micia that their show and auction is November 19th not the 13th.

Open Show: Only two shows left this year – Kwas Oktoberfish on October 29th and Brampton on November 19th.

Program: Chair absent. No report.

Steering: Open.

Webmaster: Chair absent. No report.

Club meeting dates: Please notify Dave Boehm (Webmaster) for posting on the web site.

Ways & Means: Spring auction will be March 26th 2006 in Brant at the Brantford and District Civic Centre (right next to the Casino). The room will cost \$425.00 which is over twice what we paid last year in Burlington but the room is also twice the size. If CAOAC is short of funds for the rent the Brant group has proposed that CAOAC take the extra money needed from the committed funds donated by Brant club to CAOAC last year to be paid back at 50 cents on the dollar to a maximum of \$200. Discussed and accepted if necessary.

Motion 0510-01: to book the Civic Centre in Brantford for the CAOAC Spring Auction on March 26th 2006 was made by Sarah Langthorne (Ways&Means), seconded by Tony Bernard (1st Vice President/FishRescueProgram). Voted on and carried.

We will not contact companies for donations so that we do not interfere with clubs who might also be asking for donations to their shows and auctions. Jennifer Bawden volunteered to chair this venture and Sarah Langthorne (Ways&Means) will be in charge of lunch.

Sarah will run a draw for a convention 2006 ticket. We need to sell 15 at \$5.00 each to break even. Done at break.

OLD BUSINESS:

Speakers on the web site: Notify Dave Boehm (Webmaster) if you have any new ones. Mentioned were two speakers that are linked to the Durham Region web site – Klaus Steinhaus (Cichlids) and Doug White (Guppies). Bob Wright's name was also mentioned as a possible speaker whose interest is books.

New Plant Book by Christal Kasselmann: contact Wayne Rakestrow (Awards) if interested in ordering. Cost is about \$35.00 US.

Goals for CAOAC in the Future: (from the President's message in September)

We need to look to the future to strengthen and bring forward new ideas and people to improve CAOAC. We discussed this at some length at the June meeting. Some of the suggestions were:

1. More affiliation and contact with the western clubs possibly through e-mail
2. Help clubs in trouble
3. Improve the BAP and AHAP programs
4. Search for new programs and update existing programs
5. Have a program at the some of our CAOAC meetings.
6. Purchase new books and/or magazines such as TFH
7. Set up an exhibit at the Winter Fair or other places
8. Encourage new speakers to come forward
9. Possible CAOAC Auction yearly or bi-annually
10. Positive remarks and comments and suggestions to improve CAOAC

A general discussion about how to achieve these goals took place. Suggestion that we allot 10 to 15 minutes per meeting for discussion on this subject.

NEW BUSINESS:

Clubs needing assistance at club shows and auctions are urged to check out their local schools. The kids might be willing to help out as a credit towards the volunteer hours that are required these days.

Convention draw won by Terry Little (London Aquaria Society).

Raffle Draw won by Sarah Langthorne (Corresponding Secretary/Ways&Means).

NEXT MEETING INFORMATION:

November 20th 2006 – Executive at 10:00 a.m. General at 11:30 a.m.

CLUB REPORTS

Are submitted in writing at the meeting or by e-mail within in week of the meeting to Micia Burden (Recording Secretary) for inclusion in TNL and do not necessarily reflect CAOAC policy.

Kitchener Waterloo Aquarium.... At our last meeting we had Terry Little, the CAOAC Open Show chairperson who spoke on preparing your fish for a show, how to enter them in a show and just how the judges actually judge the fish in the show. An excellent program for any club putting on a show and trying to encourage members to participate. Thanks Terry for a great program.

Respectfully submitted by

2006 CAOAC Convention



The London Aquaria Society is very proud to host the 2006 CAOAC Convention. We are working very hard to make it the best Convention ever held in the 47 year history of CAOAC. We realize most of the Conventions have been great but just you wait. Some of the details are shown below and I hope you will all give serious consideration to attending the Convention.

- Date** May 19-22, 2006
- Location** Fanshawe College, 1460 Oxford Street East,
London, Ontario, Canada. N5Y 5R6
- Host Club** London Aquaria Society, London, Ontario. Canada
- Fish Show** 50 Class show celebrating the 50th anniversary
of the London Aquaria Society.

Convention Rates

Full Convention	\$75.00 each (until April 1st)
Full Convention	\$80.00 each. (after April 1st)
Children 10 or under	\$40.00 each
Saturday Banquet only	\$45.00 per person
Sunday Banquet only	\$45.00 per person
4 Speakers (Saturday only)	\$45.00 per person

Advertising in the Convention Booklet

The Convention Booklet will be published in early November 2005 and we are accepting advertising in the Convention Booklet at a rate of \$75.00 per half page and \$125.00 per full page

Fanshawe Suites

All bedrooms have double width king length beds and the two bedroom suites can be supplied with either a kitchenette or a sitting room. The four bedroom suites are supplied with both a kitchenette and sitting room. Find some friends and share to save.

- Two Bedroom Suites (2 people) \$49.95 per night
- Four Bedroom Suites (4 people)\$99.90 per night
- There is a \$5.00 surcharge for each additional person per bedroom.

Convention Speakers

Ian Fuller, UK	Topic-Catfish
Juan Migel Artigas Azas, Mexico	Topic-Cichlids
Karen Randall, Boston, MA	Topic-Plants
Mike Schadle*, Chesterton, IN	Topic-Humour
Robert DiMarco, Montreal	Topic-Marines

***Mike will speak on Friday evening, May 19, 2005**

We will have the Convention booklets and tickets available at the November CAOAC meeting to allow the purchase of tickets as Christmas gifts for the aquatic hobbyist in the family. We are booking Fanshawe suites now and can be reserved by contacting Terry Little at tlittle28@rogers.com or phone 519-752-8642. All current Convention information is available on the club web site.

www.londonaquariasociety.com

and also on

www.caoac.on.ca

FISH RESCUE PROGRAM

Needs a contact person in each club to help rescue 'orphaned' fish pets. Please ask members in your club if they are interested in helping out!

Call Tony Bernard
(905) 768-7991
utakaman@porchlight.ca

WANTED

We are looking for excellent speakers who would be willing to give talks at club meetings. If you would like to offer your services or if you know some one who might, contact Dave Boehm at fishman@golden.net
Check out the speakers page on the CAOAC web site at www.caoac.on.ca

CAOAC EVENTS CALENDAR

2005

- Nov 6 TROPICAL FISH CLUB OF ERIE COUNTY Auction only
 19 BRAMPTON AQUARIUM CLUB Show & Auction (sanctioned & confirmed)
 20 *CAOAC Executive & General Meetings (exec at 10 am, general at 11:30 am)*
NOTE: Cheques for membership & insurance are due
- Dec 4 CANADIAN RIFT LAKE CICHLID ASSOCIATION - Super Cichlid Auction & Swap Meet
 11 *CAOAC Executive & General Meetings (exec at 10 am, general at 11:30 am)*
NOTE: Second Sunday of the month & Pot luck Xmas Lunch
NOTE: Authors & Advanced Authors Award nominations are due

2006

- Jan 15 *CAOAC Executive & General Meetings (exec at 10 am, general at 11:30 am)*
NOTE: Newsletter Award nominations are due
- Feb 12 *CAOAC Executive & General Meetings (exec at 10 am, general at 11.30 am)*
NOTE: Second Sunday of the Month
NOTE: All other Award nominations/applications are due
- 19 TROPICAL FISH CLUB OF ERIE COUNTY Auction only
- Mar 12 HAMILTON & DISTRICT AQUARIUM SOCIETY Auction only
- Mar 19 *CAOAC Executive & General Meetings (times pending)*
NOTE: Awards meeting (time pending)
- Mar 26 **CAOAC SPRING AUCTION in BRANTFORD**

FOR THE MOST CURRENT AND COMPLETE EVENT INFORMATION SEE THE EVENTS CALENDER AT

HOW TO GET THERE...

